

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claim 8 to read as follows:

8.(Amended) The [A] mammal of [according to] claim 7, wherein [in which] the galanin gene has been inactivated.

Please amend claim 9 to read as follows:

9.(Amended) The [A] mammal of [according to] claim [7 or] 8, wherein [in which] the galanin gene has been inactivated by at least partial deletion.

Please amend claim 10 to read as follows:

10. (Amended) The [A] mammal of [according to] claim 9, wherein the partial deletion [in which the portion] of the galanin gene occurs between the *Bam*HI and *Bgl*II restriction sites designated 'Exons 1-5' in [Fig.] Figure 3, [has been deleted].

Please amend claim 11 to read as follows:

11. (Amended) The [A] mammal of [according to any of] claim[s 7 to 10 which] 7, 8, 9, or 10 wherein the mammal is a rodent

Please amend claim 12 to read as follows:

12. (Amended) The [A] rodent [according to] of claim 11 [which] wherein the rodent is a mouse.

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Please amend claim 13 to read as follows:

13. (Amended) Tissue, cells and cell lines derived from the [a] mammal [, rodent or mouse according to any of claims 7 to 12] of claim 7, 8, 9, 10, or 11 or the rodent of claim 12.

Please amend claim 15 to read as follows:

15. (Amended) [The] Use of the [a] mammal [, rodent or mouse according to any one] of claim[s 7 to 12 or the tissue cells and cell lines according to claim 13 or 14] 7, 8, 9, 10, or 11 or the rodent of claim 12 in an assay to determine a biological effect of galanin.

Please add the following new claim:

--17. Use of the tissue, cells and cell lines of claim 13 in an assay to determine a biological effect of galanin.---

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Claims 1-16 are currently pending in the application. Claims 8, 9, 10 and 12 have been amended to place them in proper format. Claims 11, 13, and 15 have been amended to place them in proper multiple dependent claim format. Support for new claim 17 is found in claim 15 as originally filed and throughout the specification. No new matter is added by these amendments. Applicants await action on the merits.